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Dear Physician:

Thank you for your inquiry. Please provide us with the following information to add to our database. When a site contacts our office looking for a physician with your specialty, your name will be provided along with other pertinent information. If we do not already have it, please complete the information below:

name:
Address:
Home Phone: ()
Work Phone: ()
Cell Phone: ()
Fax: <u>(</u>)
Email:
Specialty (Include other fellowships, residencies, etc.):
Where Licensed:
Special Skills (Languages, other training, rural experience, etc.):
Source (Where did you hear about our bureau?):
Date Available for Practice:

Please be sure to check back in a couple of months, if you have not made a match. When you call, remind us that you are already in our database. Good luck!

Although our State-30 program is not widely utilized, we anticipate wider participation among sites. Our office is in the process of educating sites throughout the state about the fantastic physicians, such as yourself, who are available to practice in Utah. You will need to make contact directly with the site which is looking for your specialty. Please do not contact a site which has stated they will not sponsor J-1s. In addition, if a site contacts our office with a request for someone who matches your specialty and experience, we will forward your name, address and phone number.

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It is suggested that you be cautious utilizing a recruitment or "head-hunting" agency. Often times, recruiters will take your money without providing results. If you use a recruiter, make sure you use a reputable agency that has been successfully used by your peers. We assist you and Utah sites at no cost to you or to them. Often the recruitment agency will charge you for site lists which we mail to you free of charge. You may choose to retain an attorney to read over your contract with an employer. Again, the quality of legal advice varies greatly as does the cost. You may also choose to use an attorney, depending upon your expertise and time, to follow through with attaining your H-1B with the Immigration and Naturalization Services.

The enclosed site list is by no means comprehensive. I suggest you use your medical journals, attend national conferences of your specialty, and network, network, network! Also use your local library and look up practices, clinics, and hospitals in the areas you are interested. As long as the site is located in a federally designated health professional shortage area (HPSA) (most areas of the state of Utah have federal designations as a primary care HPSA), the site is able to show a need for the practitioner, and the site does not turn patients away due to their inability to pay, it could qualify.

If you do not make a match with a site within the next two (2) months, please contact our office for an updated site list. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.



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